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Docket No. GFN-0284-11

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

Status of Claims

Claims 1-22 are pending in the application. Claims 1-19 are allowable. Claim 20 is rejected. Claims 21 and 22 are objected to. Applicant appreciates the Examiner's comments regarding the allowability of Claims 1-19 and 21-22. Applicant also appreciates the Examiner's reconsideration of the prior restriction. Of the pending claims, Applicant has canceled Claim 20, and amended Claims 21 and 22, leaving Claims 1-19 and 21-22 for consideration upon entry of the present Amendment.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §102(b)

Claim 20 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Bagalini et al. (U.S. Patent No. 3,950,715, hereinafter Bagalini).

Applicant has canceled Claim 20, thereby obviating this rejection.

Allowable Subject Matter of Claims 21-22

Applicant has rewritten Claim 21 in independent form to include all of the limitations of the parent claim. Applicant has also amended Claim 21 to now recite, inter alia, "...wherein said preventing includes latching a latch surface disposed at said trip lever with an armature." Support for Claim 21 may be found in the specification as originally filed at paragraph [0024] where the latch pin 160 inherently has a latch surface. No new matter has been added.

Accordingly, Applicant submits that Claims 21-22 are directed to allowable subject matter, requests entry thereof, and with their entry, submits that Claims 21-22 are allowable, and therefore respectfully requests notice thereof.

Regarding Form PTO-1449 and Form PTO-892

Applicant notes that the Summary page of Paper No. 051004 does not reflect recognition of Form PTO-1449 presented in Paper No. 051004, and respectfully requests

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recognition thereof. Also, Applicant notes that the date of signature on Form PTO-1449 in Paper No. 051004 appears to be 05-12-05, and respectfully requests correction or clarification thereof.

Applicant notes that the Summary page of Paper No. 051004 recognizes the attachment of Form PTO-892, however, Applicant's copy of the attached Form PTO-892 does not include any entries, and specifically does not include the entry of Bagalini et al. (U.S. Patent No. 3,950,715) as applied by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. §102(b). Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests a copy of completed Form PTO-892.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for allowance, and respectfully requests notice thereof.

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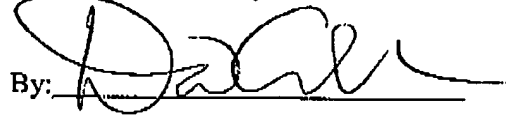
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required for this amendment, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1130.

In the event that an extension of time is required, or may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for extension of time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time that is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to the above identified Deposit Account.

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